



Assessment & Accountability Newsletter

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

Our next Assessment & Accountability Newsletter will be August 15.

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the 2018/19 school year! The assessment and accountability team is looking forward to another great year. Our [2018/19 Assessment Calendar](#) is available here – and now is a great time to [register for our first assessment and accountability monthly webinar](#) on September 12. If you haven't joined us for a webinar, you'll hear timely updates from the test coordinators concerning deadlines and changes that you'll want to know.

We look forward to supporting you and your students this year. Let us know how we can help.

[Karlynn Laraway](#) is the director of Assessment and Accountability.

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IDAHO READING INDICATOR

Reading Indicator-Legacy

The final Legacy IRI data will be released August 8 on the [Report Card](#).

Fall IRI training dates for Istation announced

Good news! The fall training dates for IRI by Istation have been scheduled. Assessment staff will send registration information to District IRI Implementation Coordinators by August 15. Training will focus on analyzing student assessment results and other available reports.

- Region 2: Thursday, 9/27, Lewiston
- Region 1: Friday, 9/28, Coeur d' Alene
- Region 6: Monday, 10/8, Idaho Falls
- Region 5: Tuesday, 10/9, Pocatello
- Region 4: Wednesday, 10/10, Twin Falls
- Region 3: Thursday, 10/11, Boise
- Region 3: Friday, 10/12, Boise

Due to availability of space, local education agencies (LEAs) may send up to five staff to participate in fall training. At a minimum, SDE strongly recommends the IRI District Implementation Coordinator and IRI Teacher Training Coordinator attend this training. In addition to the Implementation Coordinator and Teacher Training Coordinator, LEAs may send additional staff to look at data, analyze results and change instruction.

Sessions will run for four hours in the morning with time after to collaborate to improve implementation at the district level.

For more information, contact [Heidi Arrate](#) or call her at (208) 332-6909.

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ISAT

Next ISAT Comprehensive Assessment System Update is today, August 1.

Please check the ISAT Portal regularly for important messages and dates. All dates for the 2018-2019 school year have been added to the [Important Dates](#) page.

*New Group Code for Idaho State Department of Education Assessment and Accountability Networking Group 2018-2019 is **knfstj**.*

ISAT Comprehensive Assessment System – Important Dates

August 6 – User password change over: Every user must create a new password when logging in for the first time to secure applications (TIDE, ORS) in the ISAT Portal. This needs to be completed once for the year.

August 6 – TIDE opens: Upload students, edit district users and teachers, create new rosters. You may still create or modify rosters from 2017-2018 at this time.

August 9 – TDS opens.

August 9 – Interim Assessment window for 2018-19 school year opens August 9 and closes March 13, 2019.

August 14 – Air Ways open: You may begin to view Interim Assessment Data for new assessments given in 2018-2019.

August 16 – TIDE: Only able to create new rosters for 2018-19 at this time, no longer accepts changes for 2017-2018.

If you need technical assistance uploading students, users or rosters, please contact the Idaho AIR Help Desk at 844-560-7365 or IDHelpDesk@air.org.

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